

## GULLIVER AND THE GIANT.



News Note—John D. Rockefeller will fight the Ohio Tax Commissioners on the valuation they have set on his personal property of over \$450,000,000.

## HARDSHIP STORIES TOLD BY WITNESSES

Were Forced to Work Underground in Intense Heat and Often Their Pay Was Cut to Almost Nothing.

HOUGHTON, Mich., Feb. 12.—Stories of hardships endured by the men employed in the Michigan copper mines were related by witnesses before the congressional committee investigating labor conditions in the region Wednesday. Sixteen witnesses, all of whom have been trammers and miners, were examined.

Some of the men testified it was so hot at great depths in the mines that men often fainted. Poisonous water seeping through the copper bearing rocks often scalded the skins of the miners, irritating sores upon their shoulders and arms caused by pushing heavily laden tramcars, they testified, while the heavy work which they were forced to do produced great blisters upon their hands. The bosses, at times, through spite and meanness, forced them to almost impossible lengths, they said, often cutting down

their rightful pay to almost nothing. There was no provision made for caring for injured men underground and often a man hurt while working below, had to be doubled up into a bucket and hoisted from the lowest workings to the skips in order to get medical attention.

Attorneys for the companies Wednesday night vigorously denied that such conditions existed and declared this testimony would be refuted before the investigation closes.

"We'll take every bit of testimony offered," said Chairman Taylor. "We want to know the truth, so we can present a report that will meet the need of remedial legislation. Congress will undoubtedly act on our suggestions, not only for the good of this district and its men but for the general betterment of laboring conditions."

Chairman Taylor said tonight that the committee would not decide until Representatives Switzer and Hamlin, members who are yet to arrive, whether the investigation will also include a probe of the Christmas eve tragedy in Calumet which resulted in the deaths of 72 persons and for which members of the federation declare the Citizens' alliance was responsible.

### YELLOW BANK.

Clifford Mangus was a Sunday visitor of Raymond Stump. The Ladies' Aid society of the First Brethren church met at the home of Mrs. David Baker last Thursday. Ernest Shrader and Miss Edna McBride were Sunday afternoon guests of Miss Mildred Mangus.

## MASONIC TEMPLE IS WANTED FOR STATION

South Shore Wants Figure Set by Stockholders. Who Are to Consider the Matter This Thursday.

Negotiations for the purchase of the Masonic temple at Michigan st. and Lasalle av. by the Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend Railway Co. for use as a passenger depot have been resumed. A meeting of the stockholders of the Masonic Temple association has been called for Thursday, Feb. 12, at 1:30 o'clock, when the question of setting a price on the building will be taken up.

F. J. L. Meyer, representing the railway company, has reopened the negotiations with the request that the association name a rental price for one year for the first floor and basement together with an option for purchase of the building within that time.

Negotiations looking towards the purchase of the building were first undertaken by both the interurban

roads operating through South Bend but were dropped because the Chicago, South Bend and Northern Indiana company did not see its way clear in the proposition submitted by the association.

Meyer has told the trustees that the South Shore company wishes to revive the project for its own benefit and expressed the opinion that if the option is given for the year to make necessary preparations, the company will be able to buy the building.

The railway company needs a new depot on the line of its right of way and the growth of the Masonic lodges in South Bend has made the present temple, though recently constructed, inadequate.

## HOTEL AT BRISTOL IS DESTROYED BY FLAMES

Town is Threatened But Timely Arrival of Elkhart Firemen Saves Property.

Special to News-Times.

BRISTOL, Ind., Feb. 12.—Fire which is believed to have originated in an overheated stove, nearly destroyed the Shuart hotel here Wednesday night, entailing a loss estimated at \$2,000. The fire broke out at 7 o'clock and made rapid headway. This city is without any fire protection and calls for help were telephoned to Elkhart, ten miles away.

In the meantime a bucket brigade was formed by the citizens of the town, but little could be done until the Elkhart department arrived, which made a quick run. The hotel is owned by O. H. Shuart.

Store News

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50 in. Wool Poplins—in Navy, Dark Red, Brown, Purple—regular 1.50—50 in. Navy Wool Voile—regular \$1.50—52 in. Navy or Brown Suiting, pin stripe; regular 1.75.

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1.00 1.25 1.50 2.00

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The Gem—the Newport—two advance Spring Sailors, being worn today in New York—now being shown here—at Wyman's.

In Black, Mahogany, Blue and Tete de Negre Hemp braid, with Ostrich, Maline or Fibre Pompon, at center front and back—a very smart effect.

8.00 to 12.00

## NOTION SALE NOW ON

### MODEL ON EXHIBITION

Oklahoma and Nevada to be Biggest Dreadnoughts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Secy. of the Navy Daniels Wednesday showed visitors a model of the sister ships Oklahoma and Nevada, Uncle Sam's most powerful dreadnoughts to be which has been placed in his office. This model displaces that of the U. S. S. New York of 500 tons less displacement than the new sea-fighters. Launching of the new ships is set for 1915.

### MOTHER KILLS BABY; SECOND SHOT NEEDED

Woman Had Been Ill For Many Years and She Feared Same Fate For Child.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Mrs. Amelia Bertat shot her baby daughter Helen, a year and a half old, in the head on Wednesday, sat beside the child's couch for two hours watching her struggles and wiping the blood from her face, and then shot her again through the body, killing her instantly.

Then the insane woman turned the pistol on herself, but inflicted only a scalp wound in the head. She told

her story to Lieut. Jacob Reich in the Hudson hospital in the police station tonight after being taken from her home in 1507 Larrabee st.

Mrs. Bertat had been an anemic and nervous for years. In her baby's pale little face she could read the same fate for the child. She had been studying the discussions of eugenics.

### ARRESTED FOR THEFT.

James C. Vinnedge, 43 years old, 319 W. South st., is charged with

stealing a watch owned by Richard R. Kuch, valued at \$34. Vinnedge was arrested Wednesday and will be arraigned in police court Thursday.

### NEWSPAPERMAN IS NAMED

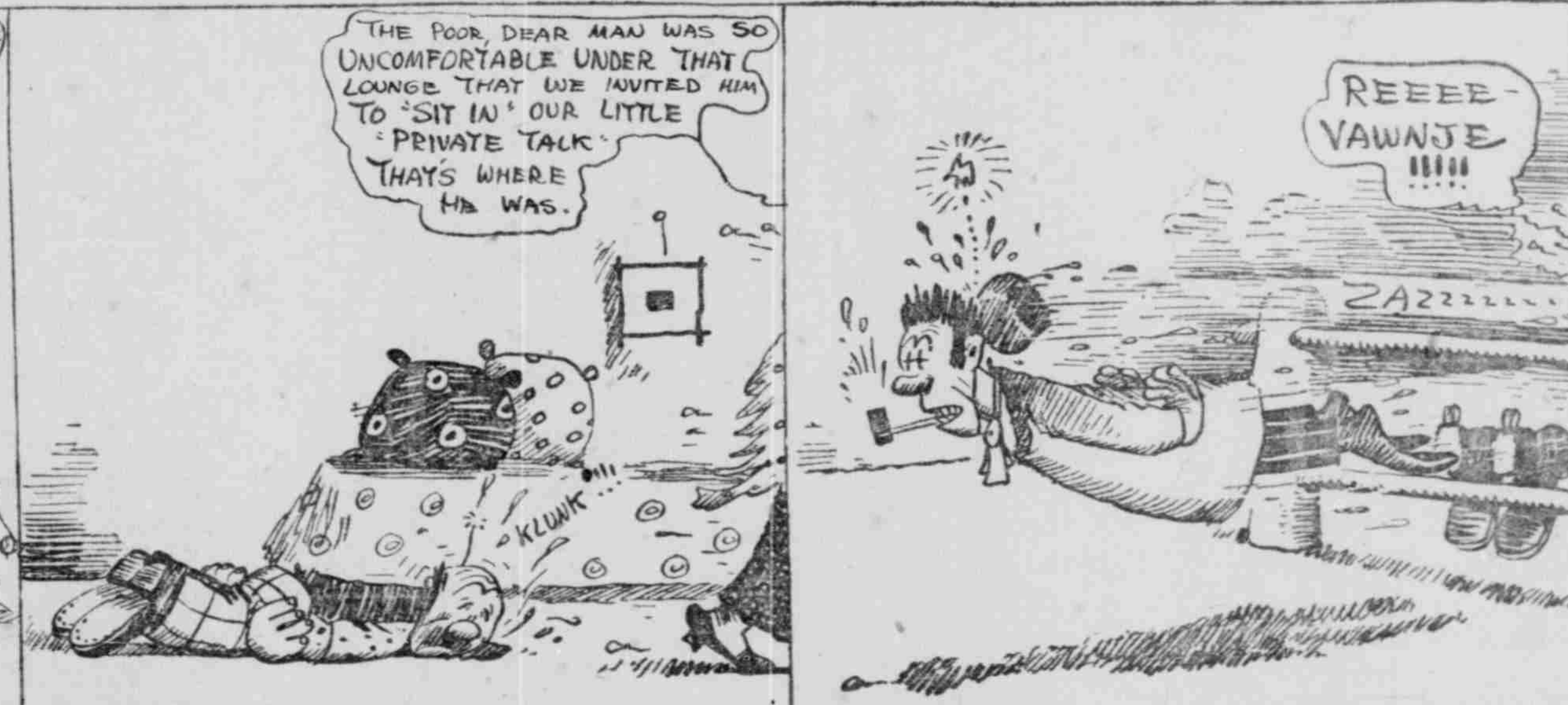
WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Ohio Praeger, a Texas newspaperman, will be named postmaster for Washington, D. C., it was announced Wednesday in the white house. Praeger succeeds N. A. Merritt, present head of the local post office.

## The Dingbat Family

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## The Old Man Gets the Worst of it All Round



## Polly and Her Pals

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